IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of Milind Kulkarni

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated March 31, 2008 rejecting claims 1-17, 19 and 21-48.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Notice of Appeal fee of \$510 and a one-month Extension of Time Fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 01-2384. The Commissioner if also authorized to charge any additional fee due and refund any over-payment to Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

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